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TAGS: UNCTAD, ETRD

SUBJECT: UNCTAD: UN SUGAR CONFERENCE: FRIDAY, APRIL 22

SUMMARY: THE FIRST WEEK OF THE SUGAR CONFERENCE CONCLUDED FRIDAY, APRIL 22, WITH MEETINGS OF THE STATISTICS COMMITTEE AND THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE. THE FORMER MET IN THE MORNING AND BEGAN WORK ON A COUNTRY BY COUNTRY REVIEW OF EXPECTED FREE MARKET IMPORTS IN 1978-80. THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE HEARD FORMAL STATEMENTS FROM CANADA AND SOUTH AFRICA AND BEGAN THE FIRST READING OF AN ARTICLE BY ARTICLE REVIEW OF THE DRAFT INTERNATIONAL SUGAR AGREEMENT (ISA) SUBMITTED BY THE PREPARATORY MEETING. ALL IN ALL, THE CONFERENCE APPEARS OFF TO AN ORDERLY AND BUSINESS-LIKE START, WITH MOST OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL AND CEREMONIAL

MATTERS DISPOSED OF IN THE FIRST WEEK. END SUMMARY.

1. STATISTICS COMMITTEE: THE FIRST SUBSTANTIVE MEETING OF THE STATISTICS COMMITTEE WAS HELD THE MORNING OF APRIL 22. THE SECRETARIAT HAD PREPARED A WORKING DOCUMENT WHICH PRESENTED NET FREE MARKET IMPORT DATA (ESTIMATES AND FORECASTS) FOR CY 1976 AND 1977, RESPECTIVELY. INITIAL PLAN WAS FOR COMMITTEE TO "FILL-IN" 1978-80 DATA. HOWEVER, A NUMBER OF NATIONS, LED BY BRAZIL, REQUESTED INFORMATION ON SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS ON SUGAR IMPORTS DURING THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. THE ISO STAFF FIRST AGREED TO PROVIDE THIS DATA, THEN BACKTRACKED SOMEWHAT. ISO/SECRETARIAT STAFFS ARE TO FURNISH NEW WORKING DOCUMENT WHICH PROVIDES "FIRST THINKING" OF INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY NET IMPORT DATA IN 1978-80, WITH FOOTNOTES EXPLAINING SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS SHIPMENTS (BASED ON 1975 PATTERNS). COMPLETION OF THIS UNCLASSIFIED

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EXERCISE MAY OCCUR WEEK OF APRIL 25, MORE LIKELY EARLY IN FOLLOWING WEEK. COMMITTEE MAY BE CALLED UPON TO DEVELOP OTHER DATA.

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2. ECONOMIC COMMITTEE: THE AFTERNOON OF APRIL 22, THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE HEARD FORMAL "CONCEPTUAL STATEMENTS" BY CANADA AND SOUTH AFRICA. CANADA (EASTUM) INDICATED THAT WHILE IT DIDN'T PARTICULARLY LIKE EXPORT QUOTAS, IT WAS PREPARED TO ACCEPT THEM AS ONE OF THE COMPONENTS IN A NEW ISA. CANADA EMPHASIZED THAT IT WANTED AS LITTLE DIRECT INTERVENTION IN THE MARKET AS POSSIBLE. IT SAID THAT QUOTA SHARES OF EXPORTING COUNTRIES SHOULD BE KEPT UNDER CONTINUAL REVIEW AND ADJUSTED TO REFLECT EXPORT PERFORMANCE AND STOCK BUILDUPS IN EXPORTING COUNTRIES. CANADA PROPOSED A WIDE PRICE BAND WITH EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF BOTH THE MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM PRICES. IT RECOGNIZED THE RELUCTANCE OF SOME PRODUCERS TO PROVIDE A SUPPLY COMMITMENT PRICE GUARANTEE AND SAID THAT THE ALTERNATIVE IS INCREASED STOCKS. IT SPECIFICALLY WELCOMED THE U.S. PROPOSAL FOR THE CREATION OF SPECIAL STOCKS. CANADA ALSO DISCUSSED THE NEED FOR ADEQUATE VERIFICATION OF STOCKS EXISTENCE, AND THE NEED FOR BETTER INFORMATION ON THE TERMS OF PREFERENTIAL ARRANGEMENTS (I.E., CUBA AND SOCIALIST STATES). SOUTH AFRICA MADE A BRIEF STATEMENT WHICH IT SUMMED UP BY CONCLUDING... "WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT VERY MUCH WAS WRONG WITH THE 1968 ISA". SPECIFIC IMPROVEMENTS PROPOSED BY SOUTH AFRICA INCLUDED MORE REALISTIC BASIC EXPORT TONNAGES (BETS) AND A BROADER PRICE HAND WITH FEWER PRICE TRIGGERS. AFTER THE FORMAL STATEMENTS, THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE BEGAN THE FIRST READING OF AN ARTICLE-BY-ARTICLE REVIEW OF THE ECONOMIC PROVISIONS. THE COMMITTEE WILL CONTINUE THIS REVIEW MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 25.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL COMMITTEE: THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE WILL HOLD ITS FIRST SUBSTANTIVE
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